

SCRIPT - WE THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW
LET'S TALK ABOUT SIDEWALKS

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Hi, I'm Doug Colling from the City of Beaverton Code Services. Today, I want to talk to you about Sidewalks.

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Does the sidewalk in front of your house look like this?

Would you want to your neighbor to try and walk over this?

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As citizens of Beaverton you and your neighbor have a right to expect the sidewalk that you walk on to be in good condition. Unfortunately sidewalks often become cracked, raised or broken due to tree roots, ground settlement, freezing weather, or other action of nature. When this happens it is the adjacent property owner's responsibility to see that the sidewalk is repaired to prevent a possible injury.

Allowing a sidewalk next to your property to go un-repaired creates an unreasonable risk of danger to persons or property. Not only could this situation lead someone tripping and injuring themselves but the adjacent property owner could also be held responsible for those injuries.

1. If you notice your sidewalk is raised more than ½ an inch it should be repaired. Panels that are raised 3/8 of an inch or less could be ground down or

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patched. More uneven panels should be completely replaced. To replace your sidewalk panels follow these easy steps.

1. **CONTACT** the city of Beaverton's permit center at (503) 526-2552 and obtain a sidewalk replacement permit.
2. **REMOVE** the defective portion of the sidewalk.
3. **PREPARE** the area for replacing the removed portion.
4. **CALL** the City of Beaverton's Building Division at (503) 526-2400 at least 24 hours before you pour your concrete. The city must ensure the project will comply with City standards.

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I'm Doug Colling from the City of Beaverton, Code Services. ***We Thought You'd Like to Know.*** [Music up.]

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